#### EDITORIAJ. NOTES.

There has o ocen suggestions in some of the London journals as to some form of compulsory military service on comscription as a remedy in the present emergency. This plan is, however, hardly feasible under present conditions. It would be almost impossible to get the machinery of such a radical change into working order soon enough to be of a material benefit to the military situation in South Africa. The raw recruits obtained by this method would be of very slight assistance against the Boer forces which are now composed entirely of season- partial paralysis. Treatment of many ed soldiers. No matter how great their numbers might be they would Impede more than assist during the first three months of their service. It most perfect health. Mr. McDonald's must also be remembered that, owing to the enormous casualties among the officers, few can now be spared to drill and discipline a new army. It is manifest that Lord Roberts would hardly they had no effect, and the trouble be- 1 t me remove a misconception that relish the thought of the additional and could not go out of door, after generally prevails regarding the proresponsibility of taking care of a host came so bad that I could hardly walk, per use of uch books. It will probof raw recruits. Too great an army, fall if I attempted to walk. Medical ure to be purch sed, one or two at a especially if made up of unseasoned, treatment did me no good. I tried tim , real through more or less atteninexperienced men is almost as bad six different doctors, but the result tiv ly and with more or less labor, the

canals, completed in November last, admit vessels of 270 feet, and the entire system has been deepened to fourteen feet. Steamship trade between mained for two month; under the his own experience, perhaps to his the lakes and ports on the Atlantic treatment of the best specialists, but neighbor's; and finally to the collect. seaboard may soon grow to be consid- when I returned home I was actually ed experience of a large number of

miles of new canals. The remainder is lake and river navigation where steamers may move at their best speed, and from Montreal there is deep water to the sea. The canals formerly had a depth of nine feet only, and their original cost and the improvements since made have involved an expenditure of over \$60,000,000, including the Sault Ste. Marie Canal on the Canadian side of the St. Mary's River. The new facilities will augment the commercial importance of Canada's greatest port, but great efforts are being put forth in the United States to meet the diversion of the Western United States trade to Canadian shipping.

Ste. Marie very large lake craft have been built and have driven out of business most of the smaller boats that might compete with them on Canadian canals. The grain-carrying trade on the lakes is now controlled by steamers able to carry 200,000 bushels. They have lowered freights so ed them of their troubles. that smaller vessels could not compete with them; but these larger boats Colborne. Montreal has had a large share, of late years, in the Minnesota and Dakota wheat trade, simply because grain boats that could pass through the canal with a half cargo were lightered at Port Colborne and received again their full cargo from the care at Lake Ontario. But this \$ clumsy expedient will never build up a preponderating grain trade, and fighterage is becoming less feasible beause, with the enlargement of steamrs, every year fewer will enter the alland Canal.

this canal has absorbed more than hird of all the money we have spent canals, but a vast expense will still e necessary if it is to be made available for the larger lake shipping. The present situation is that Buffalo, the head of the United States system of canal and river navigation, can receive the largest wheat carriers, but they cannot be accommodated at Colborne, the head of our system. It will take time and large appropriations to enable us to overcome this advantage and meanwhile, the United States is doing its best to meet our efforts to secure their trade.

#### A SOLDIER SUPERSTITION.

"I'm sory," said a London tattoocan only give you a few minutes, You see, the war has given an extraordinary impetus to our art. All the leading artists in our line are engaged night and day tattooing mottoes, arms, love tokens, and still stranger the material for such indulgence; devices, on the arms, chests, and legs girl's portrait in the middle of a spider's web, is a favorite decoration. One titled Guardsman had two different portraits done, one on each arm; anthe Guards' colors and motto. Several officers get their fiancees to write their names, or some little motto, and ing: he tattooists reproduce the writing facsimile.

"Nor can one smile at the tattoist s sentimental. Several officers and were recognized by mottoes and devices tattooed on their chests and tered that identification would other- tin. wise have been impossible.

"Cash K." is the curious verbal disguise under which, for ten years past, some generous person, who uses an erthy people and deserving objects.

OF JOHN MCDONALD, CAPE NORTH, N. S.

for Years He Was Afflicted With Spina: Trouble and Paral, sis of the Legs - tra Treated by the Best specialists in Victoria General dospital, at Halliax, Phils Have Restored Him. Mr. John McDonald, a well known

merchant at Cape North, N.S., was for many years a suiferer trom spanai trouble, which eventually re-ulted in kinds was resorted to, but without avail, until finally Dr. Williams' Fink Pills were used, with the result that Mr. McDonald is again enjoying alstory is given as follows in his own words:-"Almost therteen years ago ! caught a bad cold which louged in my one or two good books on agriculture ments were at first resorted to, but spend hi Lisure hours. And just here dark, as I would be almost certain to ably be understood that these books for a General as too small an army. was always the same. I spens 3) matter of hem digested as well as for an electric belt, but it wa , imply may be, and then the books set uside, money wasted. Years went on and I to by I no further use to the one The new locks in the St. Lawrence was continually growing worse. until who has read them. The wise man in the spring of \$1895 my lower limbs cos not ue his books so. He may would scarcely support me. In Ju ie never touch a certain book until some of that year I went to the Victoria question, ugges ed by the work of the Gereral Hospital, Halifax, where I re- farm, demands solution. He appeals to worse than, when I entered the hospi- thicking. bering men. This lest tal. This thoroughly discouraged me, he should find in his library, for a

On the route between the Lake and, I gave up all hope of ever get- bo k on agriculture, to be of much use Erie entrance to the Welland Canal ting better. I continued to grow to the pracical farmer, must be adaptworse until about the first of ed for reference and consultation, and January, 1896, when I had become finally a familiar friend and come so bud that I could not stand adviser."-Farming. alone, as my legs were like sticks under me. My only means of locomotion was crutches, and my legs dragged after me like useless pieces of timber; I could not raise them one inch cheap, for keeping an open fire in the from the floor. About the first of he family sitting room "just for com- to give you the full details of my cure, things without benefit, that I did an entire house, the open fire is wholly not think the pills could help m', but impracticable. nevertheless decided to give them a trial. After using six boxes I could By using stoves, some of the good to see me for six months when he told until I had taken thirty boxes, and by that time new life and vigor and behind the counter without the sid of costing from \$15 to \$25, if centrally this time I was under the consulta-God's blessing Dr. Williams Pink located, will heat two ordinary-sized Because of the deep canals at Sault

> My restoration has caused a great wonderment in this section, and as a result I have sold many gross of Dr. would be burnt in two open fires. Williams' Pink Pills in my store, and These stoves, built for either coal or seeing me suffering so, and as for many of those who have bought wood, will hold fire and retain heat them from me tell me they have curly on the blood and nerves. They do house at a pretty even temperature Kidney Pills. He bought three boxes

because the substitute gives them a greater profit, but these should aler her dangerous or absolutely worth-

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A timely and valuable bulletin on of departing officers and privates. A this subject has recently been issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture. The bulletin was written by in whose honor Fort Henry, at Kings-Prof. J. B. Reynolds, of the Ontario other a complete representation of Agricultural College, and contains some valuable matter on farm reading, from which we take the follow- the agony I endured. My physicians

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see that there was a slight improve- points of the open fire are retained. ment, and I continued using the pills while in the simple capacity of heat radictors they are vastly superior. the months I had been unwell already. returned to my legs, and I have since One of the larger sizes of the best been able to attend to my business heating stoves now on the market, Pills have restored me to a new meas- rooms quite easily in the severest ure of health and energy, I never ex- weather and that, too, with a very reapected to again enjoy in this world. | sonable con umption of fuel, at most but lit Is more than one-half what They gave me no relief. for a long time if the dampers are Dr. Wistiams Pink Pills act direct- properly adjusted and will keep the cannot pass through the Welland Can- en like other medicines. They give for several hours without attention. If of them to try and they gave me Lucas County. al or even enter its harbor at Port strength from the first pill to the one having stoves on the first floor last used. There are many dealers wishes to heat rooms upstairs for who offer pink colored substitutes, la eping and does not care to adopt any of the more elaborate methods, he will ways be refused, as substitutes are find it quite satisfactory to place registers, such as are used, with hot airfurnaces, just over his stoves. Or if a l rge stove can be placed near to thrown up his cure to enter the milior in a h ll on the first floor opening tary again. into rooms on the second floor, which it is delired to heat, no further apparatus is needed. The heated air will rise of its own accord and keep one or two rooms reasonably comfortable, the temperature that can be maint ined depending, of course, upon the size of the rooms, their exposure, and the size of the stove used. If i touch upon this topic. It is indeed an is de ired to heat an upstairs room by passing a pipe through it from a stove in a room below, the heating capacity of the pipe will be greatly increased by using a radiator. It will make use must read and think along the lines of of, practically, all of the heat that is available. Either of the plans mentioned above, however, is preferable. A sy t m of hot wa er or steam pipes

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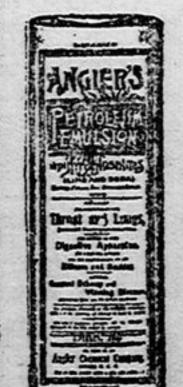
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